

LORETTA P. FINNEGAN, M.D.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Dr. Loretta P. Finnegan is Medical Advisor to the Director, Office of Research on Women's Health, Office of the Director, National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHD). After completion of premedical studies at Ursinus College in Collegeville, Pennsylvania, she received her medical degree from Hahnemann University in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Dr. Finnegan completed a pediatric internship at Hahnemann University (currently Drexel University School of Medicine), a pediatric residency and fellowship in neonatology at the Philadelphia General Hospital followed by a position as Chief of the Newborn Services, University of Pennsylvania Division at Philadelphia General Hospital. She then assumed a position at Thomas Jefferson University, where she was founder and former Director of Family Center, a comprehensive, multidisciplinary program for pregnant addicted women and their children. As Professor of Pediatrics and Psychiatry and Human Behavior, she directed a research program to delineate effects of and management for pregnant drug dependent women and their children as well as assuming duties in education of medical students and other allied health professions. Dr. Finnegan has three Honorary degrees: Doctor of Laws (Chestnut Hill College), Doctor of Science (Ursinus College), and Doctor of Science in Osteopathy (University of New England).

In 1990, Dr. Finnegan was appointed to the position of Associate Director of the Office of Treatment Improvement and Associate Director for Medical and Clinical Affairs of the Office for Substance Abuse Prevention, Alcohol, Drug Abuse and Mental Health Administration, DHHS. In 1992, she was appointed Senior Advisor on Women's Issues, National Institute on Drug Abuse, NIH and from 1994-1997 she served as Director, Women's Health Initiative, Office of the Director, NIH. From 1994-2000, she was also the Director of the Community Prevention Study of the Women's Health Initiative, National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute, NIH, DHHS. During these Federal positions she held faculty appointments as Adjunct Professor of Pediatrics and Professor of Psychiatry and Human Behavior at the Jefferson Medical College of Thomas Jefferson University from 1992-2003.

Over the past few decades, Dr. Finnegan has authored or co-authored more than 160 scientific publications and has spoken at scientific conferences where she has given over 900 presentations on topics related to health issues in women and children. She has participated in international symposia and conferences or has been a visiting professor in 18 foreign countries including Italy, France, Ireland, Great Britain, Canada (Quebec, Manitoba, British Columbia), Denmark, Germany, the Netherlands, Israel, Sweden, the Philippines, Australia, the Soviet Union, New Zealand, Scotland, Austria, Norway and Belgium. Her consultant activities have included activities with the Food and Drug Administration, National Institute on Drug Abuse, Maternal and Child Health, American Lung Association, March of Dimes, New York Academy of Medicine, and the State of California. She has served on the editorial boards of *Advances in Alcohol and Substance Abuse* and *Developmental Pharmacology in Therapeutics* and has been a reviewer for a number of other journals. Dr. Finnegan is currently a member of the Society for Pediatric Research and a Fellow of the College on Problems of Drug Dependence. She has been a member of many organizations among them the American Pediatric Society, and the American College of Neuropsychopharmacology.

Over the past few decades, Dr. Finnegan has received funding from Maternal and Child Health, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the National Institute on Drug Abuse, the Foundation for the Prevention of Drug and Alcohol Abuse in Children, the Mary L. Smith Charitable Lead Trust, the March of Dimes, and the Coordinating Offices of Drug and Alcohol Abuse Programs of the City of Philadelphia. She has been the Principal Investigator on National Institute on Drug Abuse Treatment Research Demonstration Projects on pregnant opiate and cocaine dependent women and research projects on maternal/fetal effects of drug abuse. Dr. Finnegan spent six months on

sabbatical in Paris, France doing research on the effects of smoking on pregnancy and the newborn at Clinique Universitaire Baudelocque, associated with the University of Paris.

Her honors include awards for scientific exhibits presented by the American Medical Association and the American Academy of Pediatrics. Other honors and awards include: Pacesetter Award from the National Institute on Drug Abuse for outstanding achievements in treatment, research and prevention of drug abuse; the Galen Award from the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science's Beta Galen Chapter of Rho Phi International Pharmaceutical Fraternity for superior achievement in expanding the therapeutic capabilities of health professions; a proclamation from the City of Philadelphia concerning Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Awareness Week; Nyswander and Dole Award for contributions to the treatment of pregnant drug dependent women using methadone maintenance; Ursinus College Alumnus of the Year; Ursinus College Certificate of Honor for outstanding service to society through excellence in the healing arts; Juliette Lowe Award as one of the outstanding women who have made a difference through their leadership in health care; Women's History Award as one of Philadelphia's Outstanding Women; Medical College of Pennsylvania/Gimbel Award for distinguished contributions to humanity; National Association of State Alcohol and Drug Abuse Director's Award for outstanding leadership and dedication to the alcohol and drug fields; American Society on Addiction Medicine's Award for outstanding contributions to the advancement of knowledge about alcoholism and other drug dependencies; Association for Medical Education and Research in Substance Abuse Betty Ford Award; the John Wanamaker Masonic Humanitarian Medal; 1995 Distinguished Speaker Award, The University of Texas Health Sciences Center at San Antonio; Achievement Award in Women's Health from the Society for the Advancement of Women's Health Research; First Paolo Picchio Award from Pietrasanta, Italy for leadership in the treatment of opiate addicted individuals with methadone maintenance ; DHHS Assistant Secretary for Health's Award - Outstanding Team Performance - "In Recognition for Outstanding Leadership in Development of the Violence Against Women Initiative"; DHHS Assistant Secretary for Health's Award - "For Outstanding Inter-Agency Collaboration and Innovation in Developing the Women Living Long, Living Well Project"; DHHS Assistant Secretary for Health Award for "outstanding collaboration in the implementation of an historic citizen-centered time capsule honoring 100 years of advances in women's health; SAMHSA Innovator's Award for contributions to the Treatment of Addicted Women and their Children over the past few decades.